

1865

Great Eastern had her interiors stuffed
Held some 3,000 miles of wire - the
insulated wire on her voyage in 1865
to "spin a thread of thought between 2
continents". After 1,200 miles of cable paid out,
the wire snapped, through 8 days of fog
& storm the crew groped vainly for the
broken end.

Next yr the ship tried again.